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Directory to list supporters of 'equal rights'

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BOULDER — A Boulder group says it will soon publish a directory of businesses that oppose Amendment 2 and have signed a pledge of "equal rights for everyone."

The directory, to be published late next month by the Boulder Organization for Non-Discrimination, will cover Boulder County and be free of charge. The group, known as BOND, was formed to oppose Amendment 2.

"We're trying to create an atmosphere that's positive for people," said Jane Hickey, the group's president.

The group has sent out more than 750 letters to Boulder County businesses, asking them to sign a pledge stating that they and their employees "won't discriminate against customers or clients on the basis of sexual orientation." In return, the group offers the pledging businesses a directory listing and a window decal declaring "Equal Rights for Everyone."

So far, about 60 businesses returned signed pledges, Hickey said, along with about $600 in donations to support the project.

Amendment 2, approved by voters Nov. 3, would prohibit laws protecting gays from discrimination based on their sexual orientation. Enactment has been stalled by an injunction.

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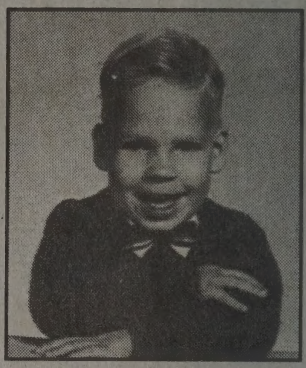

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